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REMARKS

In the October 12, 2004 Office Action, the Examiner requested clarification of how the slider 40 "covers" the guide opening 31 of the casing. Independent claim 1 has been amended to clarify that the slider covers a lower portion of the guide opening of the casing, where the lower portion is lower than the lever assembly. This amendment clarifies that the slider does not fully cover the guide opening, but covers at least the lower portion thereof.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in a condition for allowance. However, should the Examiner believe that the claims are not in condition for allowance, the Applicant encourages the Examiner to call the undersigned attorney at 650-843-7519 to finalize any remaining issues.

If there are any fees or credits due in connection with the filing of this Amendment, including any fees required for an Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136, authorization is given to charge any necessary fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (order No. 060944-0206-US). A copy of this sheet is enclosed for such purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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